

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IN AGRICULTURE AND TECHNOLOGY

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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the year-wise amount sanctioned to promote research and development in agriculture and technology in the country during the last three years;
- (b) whether the Government has sanctioned funds for the aforesaid purpose during the current year; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY & MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL)

(a) The principal agency for promoting research in agriculture is the Department of Agriculture Research and Education (DARE) under the Ministry of Agriculture. The Government had sanctioned Rs. 1391.39 crores in 2001-02, Rs. 1494.00 crores in 2002-03 and Rs. 1505.80 crores in 2003-04 to the DARE for research and development in agriculture. Ministry of Science and Technology is promoting science and technology in general and the Government had sanctioned Rs. 1905.45 crores in 2001-02, Rs. 2290.76 crores in 2002-03 and Rs. 2585.88 crores in 2003-04.

(b)&(c) During the current year, an allocation of Rs. 1790.41 crores have been proposed for research and development in agriculture and Rs. 2906.39 crores for promotion of science and technology.